

REMARKS

By this amendment, Figures 1-9 have been replaced; claim 4 has been amended; claims 1-3, and 8 have been canceled; and claims 11-18 have been added.

Figures 1-9 have been replaced with replacement Figures 1-9. Replacement Figures 1-9 are formalized versions of the original figures. No new matter has been added.

Claims 4-7 and 9-18 are now pending in the application. Reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Hendrickson. The Examiner also rejected claim 3 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hendrickson, and claims 4-7, 9, and 10 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Larson et al. in view of Hendrickson.

Claims 1-3 have been canceled rendering the rejections moot.

Claim 8 was objected to by the Examiner for being dependent upon rejected base claim 4. Claim 4 has been rewritten to include all of the limitations of claim 8. Accordingly, claim 8 has been canceled. Claim 4 is now allowable.

Claims 5-7, 9, and 10 recite additional features of the invention and are therefore believed to be allowable for the same reasons recited above with respect to claim 4 and for the additional features recited therein.

New claims 11-18 recite features of the invention not found in the prior art. Allowance of claims 11-18 is respectfully requested.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully submits that claims 4-7 and 9-18 are now allowable and that the entire application is in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable to place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE DRAWINGS

Please replace Figures 1-9 with replacement Figures 1-9 enclosed herewith.